

**BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY**  
**NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE**

**August 6, 2003**

**IN RE:**

**APPLICATION TO PROVIDE  
OPERATOR SERVICES AND/OR  
RESELL TELECOMMUNICATION  
SERVICES IN TENNESSEE**

**DOCKET NO.  
03-00229**

**Company ID: 128828**

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**ORDER GRANTING AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE OPERATOR SERVICES  
AND/OR RESELL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE IN TENNESSEE**

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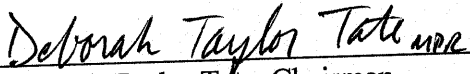
This matter came before Chairman Deborah Taylor Tate, Director Pat Miller and Director Sara Kyle of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "Authority"), the voting panel assigned in this docket, at the regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on July 7, 2003, for consideration of the Application to Provide Operator Services and/or Resell Telecommunication Services in Tennessee (the "Application") filed by Consolidated Communications Operator Services, Inc. (the "Applicant").

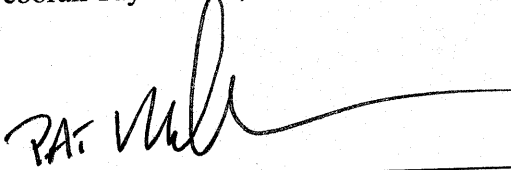
Based upon careful consideration of the Application and of the entire record of this matter, the voting panel finds and concludes that the Applicant has met all the requirements for certification and the requirements of Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 1220-4-2-.57, which was promulgated pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-2-102 and Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-201, and should be authorized to provide operator services on an intrastate basis.

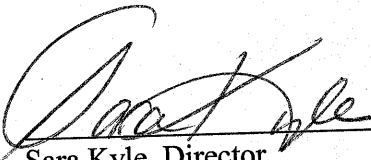
**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

1. Consolidated Communications Operator Services, Inc. is issued a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity as an operator service provider for state-wide service in Tennessee as specified in its application on file with the Authority.

2. This Order shall remain in effect until further order of this Authority.
3. This Order shall be retained as proof of certification with this Authority, and may be used to obtain the appropriately tariffed access line from Authority authorized telecommunications service providers.

  
Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman

  
Pat Miller, Director

  
Sara Kyle, Director